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## BOX PATENT APPLICATION

Assistant Commissioner for Patents  
Washington, DC 20231

Sir:

As authorized by the inventor(s), transmitted herewith for filing is a patent application applied for on behalf of the inventor(s) according to the provisions of 37 C.F.R. § 1.41(c).

Inventor(s) : PEZZANITI, Joseph L.; HARCHANKO, John S.; CHENAULT, David B.

For: COMMUNICATION SYSTEM AND METHOD TO AVOID LASER-PULSE BROADENING BY MULTI-PATH EFFECTS

Enclosed are:

- A specification consisting of thirty (30) pages
- Twelve (12) sheet(s) of formal drawings
- Applicant does not claim priority
- Applicant claims the right of priority based on Application No(s). filed in on .
  - Certified copy(ies) is(are) attached hereto.
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a.  --This nonprovisional application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(a) on Patent Application No. filed in on , which is herein incorporated by reference.--

b.  --This nonprovisional application claims priority under 35 U.S.C. § 119(e) on U.S. Provisional Application No. filed on , which is herein incorporated by reference.--

Executed Declaration in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.64 will follow

Applicant claims small entity status under 37 C.F.R. § 1.27

Preliminary Amendment

Application Data Sheet in accordance with 37 C.F.R. § 1.76

Information Disclosure Statement, PTO-1449 and reference(s)

Other: Information Sheet

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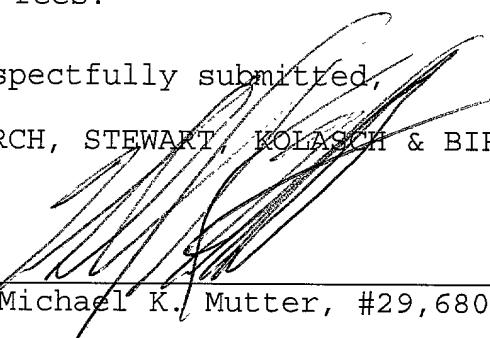
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